

## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: November 22, 2021

To: Frank Comeriato, Assistant City Manager – Operations

Cc: Kevin Powell, Assistant Public Works Director

From: Krista Roch, Office Manager

Re: "Exhibit A" 2022 – Permission to Purchase Equipment, Materials, Supplies

and Services for Public Utility and Velocity Broadband Services Operations

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## 2022 – Permission to Purchase Equipment, Materials, Supplies and Services for Public Utility and Velocity Broadband Services Operations

Detail of products / services / contracts exceeding \$25,000 annually

Material Type	<u>Budget</u>	Budget Area
Fiber Optic/Broadband Supplies, Materials, Services and Equipment	\$100,000*	Velocity Broadband
City communications network, fiber optic, SCADA, substations	\$75,000	Hudson Public Power
69 KV Pole Line Replacement	\$30,000	Hudson Public Power
Streetlight LED conversions	\$75,000	Hudson Public Power
Inventory – poles, transformers, wiring, switch cabinets, meters, conduit, etc.	\$250,000	Hudson Public Power

<sup>\*</sup> Monies available between both VBB Capital and Enterprise Fund.

<u>Materials Note:</u> The price of the materials used in the manufacturing of wiring, transformers, poles and fiberglass, which also includes the materials needed for the above projects, is greatly affected by the volatility of market prices on petroleum and precious metals (copper and aluminum). Consequently, vendors will only hold their prices firm for seven (7) days, at the most. When items are needed, management compares prices from a number of vendors and orders materials from the lowest priced vendor prior, to entering into purchase arrangements. These items are purchased on an "as-needed basis" for various scheduled replacement projects. Due to the nature of the space at our storage facilities, large amounts of inventory are not kept on site. Over a year's time, the amount sent to any given vendor may exceed \$25,000. The Finance Department requests we inform Council of this situation and receive permission to purchase.